


ANALYSIS

This ordinance amends Title 2 - Administration of the Los Angeles County Code to establish the Office of Diversion and Re-Entry within the Department of Health Services.

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ORDINANCE NO. _____

An ordinance amending Title 2 – Administration of the Los Angeles County Code to establish the Office of Diversion and Re-Entry within the Department of Health Services:

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles ordains as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 2.76.600 is hereby added to read as follows:

2.76.600 Office of Diversion and Re-Entry – Creation, Administration and Purpose.

There shall be established in the Department of Health Services an Office of Diversion and Re-Entry, hereinafter referred to as the Office. The Office shall be administered by a director who shall oversee and coordinate County-wide diversion efforts, including working with a permanent steering committee which shall act in an advisory capacity to the Office and the director. The Office's diversion efforts shall include a system of integrated mental, physical and public health care as well as supportive housing for homeless persons or persons at risk of homelessness who are re-directed from the criminal justice system or re-entering the community after incarceration and who have a mental illness or substance use disorder. For purposes of this provision, "criminal justice system" shall include contact with law enforcement or first responders, involvement with the criminal court system, incarceration, or post-release from incarceration.

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